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Our Case No. 6298/308

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application Of:) i
FOLEY ET. AL.) Previously-
Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned) Previously-) Assigned Examiner: A. Lewis)
Filing Date: Herewith) Previously-Assigned) Group Art Unit No.: 3761
FOR: EXHALATION VALVE FOR FACE MASK WITH SPACER CHAMBER CONNECTION)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 BOX CONTINUATION

Dear Sir:

Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 16-27, 30 and 31 without prejudice. ν

34. (Amended) In combination:

an aerosolization chamber for receiving an aerosol from a source of aerosol medication, the aerosolization chamber having an exit end;

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a mask having an upstream end connected to the exit end of the aerosolization chamber;

a ring at the upstream end of the mask;

a one-way valve near the exit end of the aerosolization chamber and located in a first opening into the mask, the one-way valve preventing backflow into the aerosolization chamber; and